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In re application of

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A STRUCTURALLY-REINFORCED CABLE FOR TRANSPORTING POWER

AND/OR FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

Claim 11. (Amended) The telecommunications or power transport cable according to claim 1, wherein said layer of stainless steel of said composite steel wire in said armoring directly contacts the core of steel of said composite steel wire so as to form a two layered structure.

Claim 12. (Amended) The telecommunications or power transport cable according to claim 6, wherein said layer of stainless steel of said one reinforcing wire directly contacts the core of steel of said one reinforcing wire so as to form a two layered structure.